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A. King

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Title: METHOD & STRUCTURE FOR  
EFFICIENTLY RETRIEVING STATUS FOR  
SCSI ACCESSED FAULT-TOLERANT  
ENCLOSURE

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above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

54.(currently amended) A method for communicating to a host system a ~~change in~~ numerically  
variable characteristic status of a subsystem ~~coupled to said host system~~, said method comprising  
the steps of:

said subsystem receiving a request ~~from~~ by said host system to monitor said numerically  
variable characteristic ~~a status~~ of said subsystem and report to said host system a value of said  
characteristic or an amount of change of ~~in~~ said characteristic status when a minimum numerical  
amount of said change occurs, ~~but not report a change when no change occurs or less than said~~  
~~minimum numerical amount of change occurs~~, said request specifying said minimum numerical  
amount of said change; and

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)

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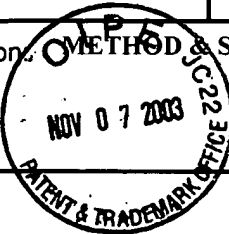
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Invention: METHOD & STRUCTURE FOR EFFICIENTLY RETRIEVING STATUS FOR SCSI ACCESSED



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